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Invention: **FLAT SEALING RING**

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27



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Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated January 30, 2008 regarding the above-identified patent application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

A check in the amount of \$525.00 is attached as the required fee for five additional independent claims.

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